

CONFIDENTIAL

Approved For Release 2003/03/28 : CIA-RDP78-03097A001000010140-7

Brig. Gen. A.J. Goodpaster, USA
Executive Assistant for Administrative Affairs
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear Andy,

The following information is available on how much the Russian people have been told about the President's TV address and Ambassador Lodge's 23 May speech in the Security Council.

a. According to USIA, the first ten minutes of VOA's broadcast of the President's speech in Russian got through without interference, but all subsequent rebroadcasts in Soviet languages were completely blanketed. Jamming of VOA's three Russian-language broadcasts giving excerpts of the Lodge speech was only partially effective: Jamming of the first of these broadcasts began late; the second broadcast was jammed completely; the third was not jammed at all. It should be noted that English-speaking Russians could have heard all of the President's speech and all of Lodge's as broadcast live in English by VOA; these were not jammed. USIA reports a trend toward increased jamming of VOA's total output to the USSR since 22 May, when approximately 50 percent of the output was jammed.

b. A 750-word account of the President's speech--stressing his declaration of personal responsibility for intelligence operations--has been carried by the Soviet home service and in a TASS transmission for the Soviet press. One Moscow home service commentary has briefly attacked the speech. The Lodge speech has been reported tersely, in distorted form, by TASS, PRAVDA, and the home service. It has been attacked by PRAVDA, IZVESTIA, and LITERARY GAZETTE as an effort to whitewash the U-2 flights.

Sincerely,

STATSPEC

25X1A9a

Allen W. Dulles
Director

: PSM 26 May 60

Distribution

- Orig & 1 - Addressee
2 - DCI
1 - DDCI
1 - DD/I
1 - OGI
1 - OO
1 - RGS ✓

STATSPEC

1 - RFB

This document is part of an integrated file. If separated from the file it must be subjected to individual systematic review.

Approved For Release 2003/03/28 : CIA-RDP78-03097A001000010140-7